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**David C. Keesler**  
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: July 10, 1962  
Education: North Carolina 1984 BA; Virginia 1987 JD  
Began Service: May 3, 2004  
Term Expires: May 2012

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Association; Mecklenburg County Bar Association; North Carolina Bar Association

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**Dennis L. Howell**  
Magistrate Judge

Began Service: October 5, 2004

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**Number of Judgeships:** 3

**Number of Vacancies:** 1

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**J. Craig Whitley**  
Chief Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: 1959  
Education: Davidson 1981 BA; Wake Forest 1984 JD  
Began Service: June 27, 1994  
Term Expires: June 26, 2022

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk The Honorable Marvin R. Wooten, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of North Carolina

**Judicial:** Chief Bankruptcy Judge, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of North Carolina

**Legal Practice:** Leonard, McNeely, MacMillan & Durham (1986-1989); Durham & Whitley (1989-1992); Durham, Wyche, Story, Whitley & Henderson (1992-1994)

**Staff**

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**George R. Hodges**  
Bankruptcy Judge

Began Service: August 1987

**Judicial:** Chief Bankruptcy Judge, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Western District of North Carolina

**Staff**

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**Ralph R. Erickson**  
Chief Judge

Date of Birth: April 28, 1959  
Education: Jamestown Col 1980 BA; North Dakota 1984 JD  
Began Service: November 1, 2009  
Appointed By: President George W. Bush

**Judicial:** Magistrate Judge, Cass County Court, State of North Dakota (1993-1994); County Judge, Traill, Steele, Nelson and Griggs Counties Court, State of North Dakota (1994); District Judge, East Central Judicial District Court, State of North Dakota (1995-2003)

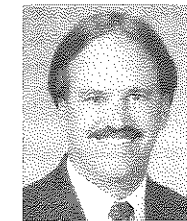
**Legal Practice:** Law Clerk, Ohnstad Twichell, P.C. (1984); Associate, Ohnstad Twichell, P.C. (1984-1989); Shareholder, Ohnstad Twichell, P.C. (1989-1991); Sole Proprietor, Erickson Law Office (1992-1994)

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**Daniel L. Hovland**  
District Judge

Date of Birth: November 10, 1954  
Education:  
Concordia Col Moorhead MN 1976 BA;  
North Dakota 1979 JD  
Began Service: November 26, 2002  
Appointed By: President George W. Bush

**Clerkships:** Law Clerk, Chief Justice Ralph J. Erickstad, North Dakota Supreme Court (1979-1980)

**Government:** Assistant Attorney General, Office of the Attorney General, State of North Dakota (1980-1983); Commissioner, Office of the Commissioner, Parks and Recreation District, City of Bismarck, North Dakota (1992-2006)

**Judicial:** Administrative Law Judge, Office of Administrative Hearings, State of North Dakota (1994-2002)

**Legal Practice:** Partner, Fleck, Mather & Strutz (1983-1994); Partner, Smith Bakke Hovland & Oppgaard (1994-2002)

**Current Memberships:** Minnesota State Bar Association; State Bar Association of North Dakota

**Staff**

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**Patrick A. Conmy**  
Senior Judge

Date of Birth: 1934  
Education: Harvard 1955 AB; Georgetown 1959 JD  
Began Service: December 17, 1985  
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

**Government:** Junior Management Assistant, United States Department of Labor (1955-1959); Commissioner, Office of the Mayor and City Commission, City of Bismarck, North Dakota (1968-1976); State Representative (ND), North Dakota House of Representatives (1976-1985)

**Legal Practice:** Partner, Lundberg, Conmy, Nodland, Lucas & Schulz (1959-1985)

**Current Memberships:** American Bar Foundation, American Bar Association; American Judicature Society; Burleigh County Bar Association

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